

**REMARKS**

After entry of the subject preliminary amendment, claims 1-35 will remain pending in the application with claims 1 and 35 being in independent form.

Independent claim 35 has been amended to coincide with a similar limitation in independent claim 1. No new matter is being introduced.

It is respectfully submitted that the Application, as amended, is presented in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 for any fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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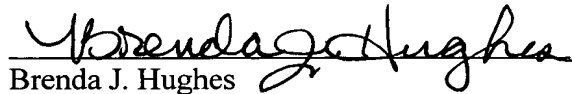
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I hereby certify that the attached **Preliminary Amendment** is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on **March 14, 2003**.



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**Version of Originally Filed Claim with Markings**  
**to Show Changes Made**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-34 remain unchanged.

Please amend claim 35 as follows;

35. (Amended) A method of communicating across an operating system using a plurality of processes and a plurality of memory sources disposed within one or more processors, said method comprising the steps of:

detecting an event within the system;

extracting an initial process address from one of the memory sources to determine the location of an initial process in response to detecting the event;

extracting an initial data address from one of the memory sources to determine the location of initial data to be used in the initial process in response to detecting the event;

executing executable code of the initial process;

retrieving the initial data from one of the memory sources at the initial data address;

continuing execution of executable code of the initial process with the retrieved initial data to define an initial processed data set;

extracting an initial processed data address from one of the memory sources;

writing the initial processed data set to the initial processed data address;

extracting a second process address from one of the memory sources to determine the location of a second process to execute prior to the completion of the execution of the executable code of the initial process;

extracting a second data address from one of the memory sources to determine the location of second data to use in the second process;

executing executable code of the second process;

retrieving the second data from one of the memory source at the second data

address;

continuing execution of executable code of the second process with the retrieved second data to define a second processed data set;

extracting a second processed data address from one of the memory sources;

writing the second processed data set to the second processed data address;

extracting a final process address from one of the memory sources to determine the location of a final process to execute;

executing executable code of the final process to halt communication of the system until the system detects the event.